

Kuroda, Nagamichi. Notes on Formosan Birds, with Description of a New Bullfinch. (*Ibid.*)—An annotated list of 120 species and description of *Pyrhula uchidai* (p. 295), Shiskaban, Ako District. [In English.]

Kuroda, Nagamichi. Notes on Corean and Manchurian Birds. (*Ibid.*, Part IV, July, 1918.)—An annotated list of 204 species and a list of all the species known from these two countries. [In English.]

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Whistler, H. Notes on Birds of the Ambala District, Punjab. (*Ibid.*)—Concluded from XXV, p. 681.

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Whistler, H. Some Birds of the Ludhiana District. (*Ibid.*)

Jones, A. S. Birds found in the Simla Hills 1908–1918. (*Ibid.*)

Gabriel, Joseph. On the Destruction of Mutton-birds and Penguins at Phillip Island.—By barbed wire fences and the introduction of foxes. (The Victorian Naturalist, XXXV, April 1919, pp. 178–180.)

Duerden, James E. Some Results of Ostrich Investigations. (South African Jour. of Sci., XV, No. 4, November–December, 1918.)—A most important contribution to the life history and development of the Ostrich; fully illustrated.

Finch-Davies, C. G. On Birds Collected and Observed in the District of Okanjande and Outjo, S. W. African Protectorate. (South African Journal of Nat. Hist., I, No. 1, May, 1918.)—An annotated list of 147 species.

Swynnerton, C. F. M. Stray Notes on Birds. (*Ibid.*)—The habits and peculiarities of Nightjars. The occurrence of Pelicans in southern Rhodesia, 200 miles from the sea. The coloration of *Glaucidium perlatum* causing a resemblance to a *Syrnium*.

Godfrey, Robert. The Birds of the Buffalo Basin, Cape Province. (*Ibid.*)

Charbonnier, H. J. The Lustre of Some Feathers of Hummingbirds (Nature, 103, p. 324, June 26, 1919) suggests that reflected light from crown and gorget illuminates the tube of the flower at which the bird is feeding.

Guthrie, Donald. Some Bird Notes from South Uist. (Scottish Naturalist, September–October, 1919.)

Additional Publications Received.¹—Bird Notes and News. Autumn Number, 1919. (Bird protection in England).

¹ Inasmuch as nearly all of the publications received are noticed in the issue of 'The Auk' immediately following their receipt it seems unnecessary to list them all at end of 'Recent Literature' so hereafter only such as have not been reviewed, either because of lack of ornithological matter in their contents or because of lateness of receipt will be listed here.

Bluebird, Nos. 10, 11 and 12, September–November, 1919. (Many popular articles on birds.)

Bulletin of the Charleston Museum, XV, Nos. 6 and 7, October and November, 1919.

California Fish and Game, 5, No. 4, October, 1919. (Interesting account of game conditions 35 years ago.)

Philippine Journal of Science, XIV, Nos. 2, 3, and 4, February, March and April, 1919. (Wild Duck sanctuaries and protection of winter birds.)

Records of the Australian Museum. XII, No. 11. October 2, 1919.

CORRESPONDENCE.

International Ornithological Congress.

TO THE FELLOWS AND MEMBERS OF THE AMERICAN ORNITHOLOGISTS' UNION:

The project of holding an international ornithological congress in America in the year 1921, has been suggested in 'The Ibis' and was informally discussed at the last meeting of the A. O. U. in New York City.

That such a plan would meet with the approval of all American ornithologists is a forgone conclusion. Furthermore it would seem self-evident that it would be impossible to successfully hold a meeting of the A. O. U. and an international gathering in the same year unless they were held in conjunction.

The usual sequence would bring the 1921 A. O. U. meeting to Philadelphia and in order to facilitate arrangements for an international congress in that year the under-signed ornithologists of Philadelphia and vicinity desire to state that they stand ready to take entire charge of the local arrangements for such a congress in conjunction with the A. O. U. meeting in 1921, if held at Philadelphia, and they herewith extend a cordial invitation to the A. O. U. and to the foreign ornithologists to hold the congress in this city. The authorities of the Academy of Natural Sciences have been consulted and have offered the use of the museum building and lecture hall for the purposes of the congress. Philadelphia with its close association with the work of Bartram, Wilson, Audubon, Cassin and many others of the early American ornithologists offers a particularly suitable place for holding this congress and experience has shown that some of the most successful meetings of the A. O. U. have been held here. While the plans for the congress must of course be arranged by a committee